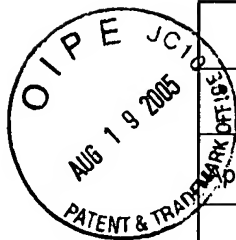
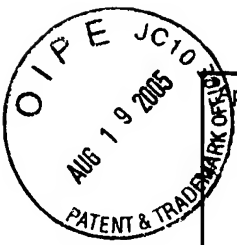


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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2005 (Paper No. 06080510823291), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 11 of this paper.

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